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**\*\* EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE:** BARF80/OPDX's Mail Server (NSHORE.ORG) lost its system files early last week and was down pretty much all week. This means no one was able to subscribe or unsubscribe from the OPDX Mailing List. Also, some mail had to be re-routed to another E-mail address, but some mail was also "possibly" lost. If you do not see your DX announcement in this issue, please send it again. Currently, the E-mail to my system (BARF80) has been restored this past weekend, but as this was being typed, the OPDX Mailing List Server on NSHORE.ORG is still not working. So this week's bulletin will probably only be available via the OPDX Web page (provided by K8YSE), the DX Mailing Lists and the UseNet Groups. Please have patience, and pass the word on to OPDX subscribers. TNX and 73 de Tedd KB8NW.....

**DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT:** According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 31st/October, through Sunday, 7th/November there were 234 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VK9X, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8, VP8/g, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

\* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

**3D2, FIJI** (Update). Kenny, K2KW, wants to remind everyone that "Team Vertical's" operation from **Taveuni Island (OC-016)** is about two weeks away. In doing some research, Kenny reports that Fiji appears to be relatively rare on 160 meters, so they plan to be very active on the Top Band. They plan to be active daily on 160m beginning on November 21st, at around 0630z. Their 160m antenna will be the first antenna to go up. The team's transmit frequency will be 1825.5 kHz (up/down two as directed). Unfortunately, they will be limited to low power on 160m and all the other bands. George/W2VJN (**3D2SS**) will be the main operator for 160m (Kenny/K2KW/**3D2KW** and Tom/N6BT/**3D2SS** will also fill in). There are more details on the team's 160m operations and the expedition on Kenny's Web page at: <http://www.k2kw.com/3d2/> Remember, the "Team Vertical" will be **3D2XA** in the **CQWW DX CW Contest** as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via WA4WTG.

**CROATIAN TELEGRAPHY CLUB**. Chairman of the Croatian Telegraphy Club (CTC) Den, 9A3FO, invites you to become a CTC member and welcomes membership applications from telegraphy lovers from all parts of the world. He states, "If your membership application is submitted by E-mail then no fee is required and membership is gratuitous because it is the Club's principle of supporting CW which is far more important than any financial consideration." Take a look at their Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/ctc/> Their E-mail address is: [ctc@hamradio.hr](mailto:ctc@hamradio.hr) Their mail address is: Croatian Telegraphy Club, Franjevačka 5, 42220 Novi Marof, Croatia - Europe.

**CX, URUGUAY** (IOTA Op). Shalom, 4X1UN, informs OPDX that he will be operating as **CX/4X1UN** from **Gorriti and Lobos Islands (SA-039)** between **November 11-16th**. Activity will be on 20/15 meters CW/SSB. He states that he has all the documentation and permission required. QSL via 4X1UN.

**D4, CAPE VERDE**. Alexander, 4L5A, will be active as **D4B** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via K1BV. Please visit the Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/d44tt/>

**FY, FRENCH GUYANA** (IOTA Op). Operator Jean Pierre, F5AHO, will be active as **FY/F5AHO** from **November 11-24th**. He will also activate an IOTA, **Salut Islands (SA-020, DIFO FY-008)** from **November 13-14th**.

**HS72, THAILAND** (RAST News). Dietmar, DL3DXX, passed along the following news from Ray, HS0ZDZ (which has been edited and reformatted): "**HS72B** has just passed its - 10,000 QSO milestone. This has been achieved with the difficulties of old and borrowed equipment and unsuitable WARC antennas at the club station and the need for operators to travel to Koh Chang Island at other times. We are aware, from constant E-mail feedback, that this number of QSOs does not meet the large demand for WARC and LF DX counters for Thailand. Therefore, we are very happy to announce that help is coming. A group of experienced LF DXpeditioners (DL3DXX, DL5LYM, WA6CDR, N5IA and G4ODV) has offered to bring equipment and antenna hardware to help launch several intensive HS72B LF and WARC operations together with Thai operators. The proposed schedule is as follow:

- **November 19-21st**: Look for **HS72B** from the SEANET Convention Hotel in Bangkok. Using a Titanex LP5 antenna (brought by DL3DXX) activity will be on most bands and modes. The operation will be by DXpedition members, SEANET visitors and Thai operators. There should be a lot of activity but not suitable for skeds and intensive weak

signal operations.

- **November 23-28th: HS72B** preparation and participation in the **CQ WW CW Contest** as a Multi-Multi, with a formidable LF set-up. This period will be predominantly on 10, 15, 20, 40, 80 and 160 meters with very strong emphasis on the LF bands. We expect a number of visitors to the SEANET Convention to stay on to join the Thai and DXpedition team for this operation.
- **November 29th to December 12th: HS72B SDXO** (Special DX Operation). This period will be dedicated to LF and WARC band operations by the visiting DXpedition team, but if freak openings occur on 10m etc, some team members might not be able to resist. For skeds, please ask Dietmar, DL3DXX. We will announce more details later, including the very specific frequencies of operation. We are in the process of setting up a web-site at: <http://www.qsl.net/HS0AC/> There we will post all information and an on-line log.

Overall coordination will be by Ray, HS0ZDZ (Station Manager HS0AC). The Logistics Manager and HS72B SEANET Station Leader will be Khun Winit, HS1CKC (Deputy Station Manager HS0AC). The Operational Leader of the CQ WW CW Contest and SDXO operations will be Dietmar, DL3DXX, who was the originator of this idea, and Chief Engineer par excellence will be Robin, WA6CDR, who will implement the most fantastic LF set up ever seen in Thailand. (If Robin is not constrained we may have to ask Bangkok Airport to divert air traffic during the operations). Robin will also be a most generous equipment donor to HS0AC. Consultant and also a most generous equipment donor to HS0AC will be Milt, N5IA. Many Thai DXers will remember Robin and Milt from the XZ0A DXpedition, and the donation of towers to HS0AC by the Central Arizona DX Association. QSL Manager will be Mann, E20NTS (QRZ.com OK). Software and Computer Network Manager is Thomas, DL5LYM.

Most of the existing equipment at HS0AC is 10 - 20 years old and has withstood the ravages of numerous contests, DXpeditions, and club station use, but it needs replacing with more modern equipment. RAST does not have the money do to this at present due to having committed a large part of its small income to a joint project with the Asian Institute of Technology and the YASME Foundation to rebuild the HS0AC Club Station. Therefore, any contributions of equipment or money to improve the chance of success of the proposed and future operations would be most welcome. The visiting team is donating some equipment and is shipping hardware at significant cost. Please contact Ray, HS0ZDZ raynom(at)loxinfo.co.th for general enquiries, and Dietmar dl3dxx(at)DARC.de about skeds for the SDXO and possible contributions..... 73, Ray HS0ZDZ"

## **IOTA NEWS.....**

- **AF-019.** Look for Fabio, IT9GSF, to be active as **IG9A** from **Lampedusa Island** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m) entry. QSL via IT9GSF.
- **AS-076.** JA5BEX and JE5HXJ were expected to operate from the **Odesima Island** (AS-076) (JIA AS-076 - a new one for the Japanese IOTA Islands Award) in the Shikoku Island Group, **November 6-7th**. Both operators were to sign **homecall/5**. QSL via the Bureau or direct to their home callsign.
- **NA-079.** Operators Nelson/NE4LS, Tom/K4THL, Bob/N4BP and Bruce/W4OV will be operating from the **Dry Tortugas National Park** on **Garden Key** (aka Fort Jefferson) from the afternoon of **November 12th** through the morning of **November 15th**. Activity will be on 40/30/20/15 meters 100% CW QRP. Their equipment will include two K1 rigs

and an AT Sprint II. For antennas they will be using verticals of various home brew sorts. For those who collect reference numbers/indicators: County - Monroe, Florida; Grid Square - EL84NP; and Lighthouse - USA-316. For those who are not familiar with Fort Jefferson, here are a couple of links with the history and plenty of pictures.

<http://www.shannontech.com/ParkVision/DryTortugas/DryTortugas.html> and <http://www.terrageria.com/parks/np.dry-tortugas.all.html>

- **OC-033.** Masayoshi, JF1UIO, was expected to be active as **FK/JF1UIO** from the **Loyalty Islands** between **November 4-8th**. Activity was to be on 40-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL via JARL Bureau or QRZ.com.
- **SA-021.** Look for **Wood Islands** to be activated for the first time between **November 12-14th**. These islands are a reserve comprised of Bahia Blanca, False Bahia and Green Bahia, created by the Legislature of Buenos Aires Province. It is located about 5 hours from the Ingeniero White Port. Everything is ready to start the expedition. A vessel has been hired to set off on Friday morning so as to arrive at daylight and immediately transfer the equipment/materials to a high area where water will not creep up to their camping area. Activity will be on all bands and modes (including the WARC bands and digimodes) depending on propagation. Special callsigns will not be used, only their personal calls "/D" (Buenos Aires Province). A special FULL COLOR QSL CARD will be printed. QSL Manager is LU7DSY: Carlos Almiron, P.O. Box 709, 8000 Bahia Blanca, Argentina. For direct QSLs, please send 2 USDs or 2 IRC.

**LX, LUXEMBOURG.** Operators Joel/LX1ER, Helmut/DF7ZS and Robert/LX1RQ will be active as **LX5A** in the **WAEDC RTTY Contest (November 13-14th)** as a Multi-Single High Power entry. QSL via the bureau or LX1RQ (QRZ.com).

#### **QSL INFO AND NEWS.....**

- Claude, F5PBL, informs OPDX readers: "Due to new internal rules of the REF-Union, I can not receive anymore of my QSLs via their QSL bureau starting 1st of January 2005." Please update your records with the following info :
  - QSL **3W2KF**: via LZ5KF (bureau) or F5PBL (direct only). (March 2001 - cf. <http://www.qsl.net/f5pbl/3W2KF.htm> )
  - QSL **F5PBL**: via LZ5KF (bureau) or F5PBL (direct only).
  - QSL **LZ5KF**: via LZ5KF (bureau) or F5PBL (direct only).F5PBL's address is (unchanged): Claude Terrier, 18 allé du Mail, F-92360 Meudon la Fort, France. QRZ.com is updated accordingly.
- **XE4IH QSLS.** Enrique, XE1IH, QSL Manager for XE4IH Socorro Island (NA-030 Revillagigedo) operation, informs OPDX that he is having problems with the Mexican Postal Office, and QSLs to be confirmed are not arriving at his P.O Box. He announces now to please send QSLs to his home address at: Enrique Garcia Munive, Av. Insula Edificio 15-A-301, U. H. Acueducto de Guadalupe, 07270 Mexico City, MEXICO. It is suggested to send your requests "registered".

**R1, ANTARCTICA.** Vlady, RU3HD, will be active for about the **next four months** as **R1ANN** and **RU3HD/ANT** from the **Saam Novolazarevskaya Base**, Antarctica (IOTA **AN-016**, A.A. UA-08, WW Loc: JB59VF, CQ-38, ITU-67). His activity is planned for all HF bands. QSL via RZ3DJ (address QRZ.com).

#### **SILENT KEYS.....**

- Joerg, DL1SDH, informs OPDX that Dieter, **DL1SDN**, became a "Silent Key" on October 28th. Many may remember his callsign in numerous pile-ups or many DXpeditions. Dieter was an enthusiastic DXer who was dedicated to ham radio. He started as a SWL. After getting his VHF licence, he soon became one of the top 2m DXers in Germany. He was active as A35DN, 3D2DS, DL1SDN/KH8 and some other destinations. He actively supported DXing world-wide. He was a member of several DX associations like GDXF, SDXG, DIG and NCDXF. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to Dieter's family and friends.
- Helmut, DL7MAE, informs OPDX that Albert, **DL7MAT**, became a "Silent Key" on Tuesday, October 26th, at the age of 74. He "celebrated" his last birthday in a Munich hospital. He was not only a keen DXer (with only ZL8 left for a complete DXCC) but was furthermore the constructor of one of the biggest ham stations in Bavaria. Many friends called him "The King of DX" or the creator of the so called "Funkzentrum Lüß" (radiocenter Luess). Luess was his QTH. He was one of the founding members of the "Bavarian DX Group" and the "Bavarian Contest Club". Also, he was active with EME and the host of numerous DX-friends and DXpeditioners. He was very active in the local DARC section. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to Albert's family and friends.

**SPECIAL EVENT** (Veterans' Day Activity). Look for **K1USN** to be activated from the **U.S.S. Salem** on Veterans' Day, Thursday, **November 11th**. Activity will be from the museum ship berthed in the Fore River in Quincy, Mass. A special event QSL card has been created borrowing the design of the official 2004 Veterans' Day poster. K1USN will be active on most HF bands on CW/SSB. K1USN will QSL all requests received. All U.S. stations are requested to include an SASE with their QSLs to: Harold "Pi" Pugh, K1RV, 78 Temple St, Abington, MA 02351. All DX stations are requested to QSL via the W1 QSL Bureau.

**SPECIAL EVENT** (Attention Prefix Hunters!). Members of the HB9MM ARS of Lausanne, Switzerland, have received permission to air the special callsign **HE3RSI** until **December 4th**. Their activity will be the former "Radio Suisse Internationale (RSI)" facilities. The RSI has stopped broadcasting on short waves, and all of the station will be dismantled after. Activity will be on 40-10 meters. The prefix hunters will have a chance to contact the "HE3" prefix for the first time. QSL via HB9MM. For more info, please visit the Web at: <http://www.hb9mm.com>

**SPECIAL EVENT**. To celebrate the **60th anniversary of the liberation of Strasbourg**, the Haut Rhin Department and the F6KQV's ARS members will air the special callsign **TM6OST** between **November 14-28th**. Activity will be on the HF bands and CW/SSB/Digimodes. Also, look for 2 meter SSB/FM activity (Listen on the F, DL, LX, ON and HB repeaters). QSL via F5PWH. Each QSO will be confirmed by a special QSL card.

**V5, NAMIBIA**. Felix, DL5XL, will be active as **V51/DL5XL** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He will also be active a few days after the contest. This is another DXpedition by the Rhein Ruhr DX Association (RRDXA). QSL via DL5XL. QSL cards via the bureau are "OK". To request a direct card, please send QSL with return postage ( 1 USD or 1 IRC for Europe, 2 USD or 1 IRC for overseas) to: Felix Riess, Mittal 3, D-31073 Delligsen, Germany. Cards have already been printed and will be replied to in a timely manner. Visit Felix's Web page at: <http://www.dl5xl.de>



**V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS.** Four Japanese operators, Toshi/JA1ELY, Taki/JH3QFL, Nob/JA6WIF and Yasu/JA6WJL will be active from **Majuro Island (OC-029)** between **November 20-24th**. For Taki, Nob, and Yasu, this will be their first DXpedition, and they expect to be welcomed by many Europe and East Coast stations. They already applied for the callsigns **V73EY, V73B, V73IF** and **V73WJ**. They will be active on all HF bands and all modes with three stations. Toshi will concentrate on the low bands including 160 meters with a 500 watt amplifier. Yasu will concentrate on 15/12/10 meters, RTTY, SSTV and 10 meter FM. Nob will mainly operate on CW on any band. Taki likes 20 meters and the WARC bands, either SSB and CW. The QSL information is as follows:

- **V73EY** via JA1ELY, Toshikazu KUSANO: Box 8, Kamata, Tokyo, 144-8691 JAPAN
- **V73B** via JH3QFL, Takio HATA: 921-25 Rokujo, Yasu, Shiga, 520-2412 JAPAN
- **V73IF** via JA6WIF, Nobutaka NAGAISHI: Box 9, Omura, Nagasaki, 856-8691 JAPAN
- **V73WJ** via JA6WJL, Yasumasa MAEDA: Box 9, Omura, Nagasaki, 856-8691 JAPAN

**YW1, VENEZUELA.** Members of the "**Group DX Caracas**" will be celebrating their organization's **15th anniversary** on November 16th. To celebrate they organized a demonstration from **Cayo Peraza (SA-089)**, Morrocoy National Park between **November 19-21st**. They will use the callsign **YW1F** on all bands and modes SSB/CW/Digital.

**ZX0, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS** (Update). Roberto/PT2GTI and Jorge/PT2HF are now heading to the Antarctica. It was reported this past week that they have already received authorization from the commander of the ship, "Ary Rongel", to operate in maritime mobile. They are using **PT2DX** the callsign of the ABRA - DX Brazilian Association. They expect to be on the air as **ZX0GTI** (PT2GTI) and **ZX0ECF** (PT2HF) from "Emilio Goeldi Refuge" (WAP BRA-03) base station on **Elephant Island (AN-010)**, from **November 11/12th** to **November 17-19th**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. QSL both callsigns via PT2GTI: Roberto Franca Stuckert, Shin QI 7 Conj 12 Casa 14, Lago Norte, DF-71515-120, Brazil.

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